

**MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
THOMPSON CENTER, 9th FLOOR, 171B
HELD ON JUNE 25, 2010**

Present at the meeting were:

Chairman Mitch Weisz
Commissioner Mario Basurto
Commissioner Dan Donohoo
Commissioner David Gore
Commissioner Molly Mason
Commissioner Barbara Sherman

Participating via conference call were:

Commissioner James DeMunno
Commissioner Kevin Lamborn
Commissioner Nancy Lindsay

IWCC staff present at the meeting were:

Ms. Kate Melford, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman
Ms. Carolyn Parks, Executive Director
Ms. Dora Shabazz, Judicial Supervisor
Mr. Darrell Widen, Assistant General Counsel

Chairman Mitch Weisz called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the minutes of the Commission meeting held on April 29, 2010 were unanimously approved.

Chairman Weisz provided the proposed medical fee schedule rule changes unanimously recommended by the Medical Fee Advisory Board. He explained that the changes deal with two topics; the cost of implants and accredited ambulatory treatment facilities. He further recommended that if approved, the rules should be enacted on an emergency basis. The proposed rule changes were thoroughly discussed including conversation on the cost savings under the proposed rules and additionally access to care at accredited facilities.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Basurto, seconded by Commissioner DeMunno and unanimously carried, the proposed rule changes were passed and agreed to be enacted on an emergency basis.

Next the Commission discussed implementation of a new review procedure to allow attorneys to agree to a venue change on a case on review. Chairman Weisz stressed that this procedure was meant to accommodate attorneys and would not affect the timeline of the case or the panel assignment. The Commission agreed to enact as policy.

The Commission also discussed Review Call sites to be considered for consolidation. Commissioners identified several sites that could be considered for possible consolidation as they were geographically inefficient or under-utilized and could provide cost-savings and economy of resources for both the legal community and the Commission if consolidated. Sites discussed included Galesburg, Rock Island, Decatur, Aurora and Quincy. Chairman Weisz agreed to review the suggested sites when considering consolidation.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm.